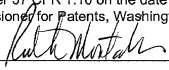


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

The above-identified application is filed concurrently herewith, please amend the specification and claims as follows:

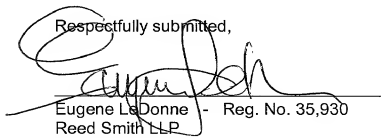
After the title and before FIELD OF THE INVENTION insert the following:

--This application claims priority of Japanese Application No. 2000-154471 filed May 25, 2000, the complete disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference. --

REMARKS

The above amendment is submitted to include the cross-referencing of the Japanese priority. No new matter is added. Entry into the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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